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In re Application of:  
Xia, et al.

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Low K Barrier Layers

Mail Stop Amendment  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Although Applicant believes that no fee is due in conjunction with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AMAT/6392.C1/KMT, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper. **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.